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[SENATE FILE No. 51.—JUDICIARY.]

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 4419 OF THE CODE OF IOWA, RELATING TO
CONTINUANCES IN CRIMINAL CASES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That section 4419 of the Code of Iowa be and the same is hereby amended by
2 adding thereto the following: And except further, that counter affidavits may be filed in
3 resistance of any application for continuance, and the Court may permit the oral cross ex-
4 amination in open Court of the affiants on either side; and that whenever on the trial of
5 any case a statement contained in any application for continuance shall be read as the evi-
6 dence of an absent witness, the general character of such absent witness for morality and
7 veracity may be impeached the same as if he were present and testified on the trial.